

Voting for ECG's video for the European Business Awards

During September 2014, European Consulting Group has been named a National Champion for Serbia in the European Business Awards 2014/15 in the SME category.



The next stage of the competition will include a public vote from 6th January to 24th February 2015 for the videos of all candidate companies Europe-wide.

We invite all our friends and associates to support us by voting for our video in the named period at <http://www.businessawardseurope.com/>.

The European Business Awards, sponsored by RSM International, is an international competition promoting European companies who have done something special, not only relevant to their own national economy but relevant to the European economy as a whole by producing new products, being innovative, demonstrating high growth, being present in difficult markets and being successful there.

For more information on the Awards and its winners, please visit:
<http://www.businessawardseurope.com/>

Final Conference of the 'Further integration of forecasting, monitoring and evaluation in the design and implementation of active labour market policies' project

The final conference marking the successful finalization of the EU-funded project "*Further integration of forecasting, monitoring and evaluation in the design and implementation of active labour market policies and adjustment of national classification of occupations to ISCO 08 standards*" took place on 20th October in Belgrade.

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Primary goal of the project was integrating a system for prognosis, monitoring and evaluation in the preparation and implementation of active employment policy measures, while another key result included a new classification of occupations provided by our project. The immediate impact of this document is obvious from the fact that the latest such classification originates from the 1990 and many of the old occupations were obsolete, while many new ones haven't been defined. Descriptions of individual occupations are made on the basis of processing the material collected in the field research which was conducted from April 2013 to August 2014 within our project. The structure of the classification is harmonized with ISCO - 08 standard, respecting the national specificities, and making the communications between all users possible.



Final conference in Belgrade

The speakers at the final conference included Mrs. Ljiljana Džuver - Assistant Minister of Labour, Employment, Veteran and Social Affairs for Employment, Mr. Hoze Gomez Gomez - Head of Operation of the EU Delegation in Serbia, Mr. Zoran Martinović - Director of the National Employment Service and Mr. Danijel Pantić - managing director at European Consulting Group. After the opening speeches, Mr. Michal Kubish - the leader of the project team and Mrs. Miroslava Pavlovic - Senior Project expert on occupational standards presented the results and recommendations of the project.

ECG signed a partnership agreement with Tetra Tech DPK



TETRA TECH

On 25th September European Consulting Group signed a cooperation agreement with Tetra Tech DPK.

The two companies are going to join efforts for joint participation in the economic activities worldwide, especially in the Western Balkans and Africa. This effort will focus on development, realization and management of project, consultancy and participation in public procurement procedures funded by: USAID, World Bank and EBRD.

To read more about Tetra Tech DPK please visit the following web site:
<http://www.tetratedpk.com/>

ECG offers support in training for the users of Software and Database application

On 17th of October at the Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental protection, Veterinary directorate, the Project ***“Capacity building for development of the National Animal Disease Compensation fund and other services”*** organized training for the users of software and database application as a support to management of EU donated supplies.



Training for the users of Software and Database application

Representatives from Veterinary directorate, Veterinary Institutes and the Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental protection were present at this training which marked completion of software and database development application. The purpose of the application is to facilitate management of all EU donate supplies within scope of the multi annual programme for combating animal diseases.

All the information about the project ***“Capacity building for development of the National Animal Disease Compensation fund and other services”*** are available on the project web page: <http://www.vet.minpolj.gov.rs/projekti/fond/>

Adoption of new measures on network security and integrity in Macedonia

The IT department of the Agency for Electronic Communication (AEK) in the Republic of Macedonia is responsible for preparing secondary legislation on network security and integrity arising directly from the new Macedonian Law on Electronic Communications (adopted in March 2014). It is also a key part of the harmonization of the Macedonian legal and regulatory framework with the European Union accquits.

The Key Expert for Legal and Regulatory advice, in front of the project implemented by the ECG-led Consortium in the Republic of Macedonia ‘Enhancing the administrative capacities of telecom and media authorities for efficient regulation of new digital and multiple play services’, made proposals to AEK in May 2014 regarding the drafting of the new by-law on the security and integrity of public electronic communications networks and services and data protection. The required new procedures follow from the EU “Electronic Communications Framework Directive”, which are now also part of Macedonian law.

Representatives from Veterinary directorate, Veterinary Institutes and the Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental protection were present at this training.

Developing women entrepreneur in cooperation with Regional Economic Growth initiative

“The Regional economic growth” (REG) project “**The development of women’s entrepreneurship**” is implemented by HD European Consulting Group as representative of CEED Serbia, in cooperation with CEED Macedonia and Association of business women. The project financed by USAID was officially launched on November 5th by three- day trainings that took place in the IN Centre in Belgrade. The event was opened by Mr. Vojislav Milosevic, ECG’s head of the Implementation department, and Ms. Olivera Pantovic, project manager at the Association of business women.



Training held in Belgrade, Subotica and Vranje

The purpose of the training was to help and support future and current women entrepreneurs with challenges they are facing. The discussions included – *The use of social networks as support to start ups* by Tijana Sekulic, *Managing people* by Jelena Vemic Djurkovic and *From business idea to market* by Tatjana Mamula. The lecturers held interactive workshops with over 20 participants in order to provide them with key information on how to use social networks for promotion, improve knowledge in running business and master the methods of business communication.

Similar workshops took place in Subotica and Vranje during November.

Initial Planning Workshop within the ECG’s new project in Bosnia and Herzegovina



Workshop with stakeholders held in Sarajevo

Our Project “**Capacity Building of the Institute for Intellectual Property through the Establishment of Information-educational Centers of the Institute**” organized Initial Planning Workshop for the project stakeholders, in order to ensure their full participation and commitment in preparation of the updated timetable of activities of the two project components on 17th November in Sarajevo.

Participants are informed about the Project, aims, general structure, importance of stakeholder involvement and proposed activities. They had an opportunity to place their own comments and thus contribute to the Project. Moderators of the workshop were the project’s Team Leader - **Dr. Alexandru C. Strenc** and the Key Expert - **Arife Yilmaz**.

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